351. Angela thought her assignment overseas would be an exciting adventure, but in reality, it turned out to be a(n) _____ office job.

(A) prosaic
(B) amicable
(C) elaborate
(D) boisterous
(E) vivacious

352. The _____ student was class president, graduated at the top of her class, and was a member of the varsity volleyball team.

(A) capacious
(B) verbose
(C) dubious
(D) assiduous
(E) heinous

353. It was _____ that her sister was able to babysit, or else Janie would not have been able to make it to the crucial dress rehearsal tonight.

(A) egregious
(B) fortuitous
(C) mundane
(D) impeccable
(E) verdant

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354. Since the insult I _____ to Shannon was not in fact her fault, she and I are able to come to a(n) _____.

(A) aspired . . precipice
(B) goaded . . trepidation
(C) imputed . . reconciliation
(D) exhorted . . hiatus
(E) perused . . aspersion

355. The only way the young artist was able to survive in a city as expensive as New York City on her _____ part-time salary at the corner deli was by being _____.

(A) illicit . . garrulous
(B) pervasive . . deliberate
(C) accessible . . bombastic
(D) meager . . frugal
(E) figurative . . hapless

356. I thought that the new novel by Madeleine LeCroix would be original and exhilarating, but I found the plot to be _____ and dull.

(A) harrowing
(B) fervent
(C) insolent
(D) saccharine
(E) hackneyed

357. The _____ old man yelled angrily at Billy when he accidentally threw a baseball over the fence.

(A) submissive
(B) transient
(C) rancorous
(D) condescending
(E) flabbergasted

358. I could see the look of growing _____ on the saleswoman's face as she continued in her attempt to appease the irate customer.

(A) exasperation
(B) accommodation
(C) duplicitous
(D) forbearance
(E) commendation

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359. I tuned in to the debate to learn more about the candidate's economic policies, but he kept _____ with stories about his family and upbringing.

(A) innovating
(B) emulating
(C) digressing
(D) consigning
(E) insinuating

360. Your _____ solution to the complicated problem between these freshman roommates was incredibly helpful.

(A) sagacious
(B) insatiable
(C) cordial
(D) bashful
(E) primeval

361. Everyone thinks I am to blame, but when I prove that Claire was the one who stole the cookies from the office refrigerator, I will be _____.

(A) berated
(B) censured
(C) reproached
(D) quelled
(E) vindicated

362. Emily's family is so wealthy and fashionable, no matter how much he may desire to be like them, there is no way Derek will be able to _____ their _____ lifestyle using his cashier's salary.

(A) repulse . . corrosive
(B) curtail . . extraneous
(C) deface . . deleterious
(D) emulate . . opulent
(E) refute . . quotidian

363. Despite his intense nervousness around her, Harry attempted to be _____ when he spoke to Amy.

(A) nonchalant
(B) sedentary
(C) resilient
(D) acerbic
(E) ephemeral

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364. Although you are furious with Shayna, because her gossiping almost got you in trouble with the boss, I recommend that you calm down and take a(n) _____ approach to your conversation with her.

(A) accusatory
(B) frigid
(C) untoward
(D) lewd
(E) prudent

365. They said that he was a brilliant orator, but I found the language of his speech to be too _____, because it was overwrought and long-winded.

(A) amorous
(B) florid
(C) meager
(D) pugnacious
(E) depraved

366. Carrie is a huge asset to our group, a(n) _____ employee, with her _____ work ethic and positive attitude.

(A) profane . . querulous
(B) adamant . . sophomoric
(C) impassive . . stoic
(D) taciturn . . perfidious
(E) exemplary . . diligent

367. Although artist Vincent van Gogh and author Edgar Allan Poe might have felt _____ during their lifetimes, their work is now considered to be quite influential.

(A) pretentious
(B) whimsical
(C) recalcitrant
(D) facile
(E) inconsequential

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368. Mr. Jones, a _____ statesman, was stationed in the Pacific theater during World War II and was a successful businessman before serving in the state senate for more than fifteen years.

(A) felicitous
(B) latent
(C) petulant
(D) venerable
(E) insipid

369. Although President Truman disliked Stalin and was _____ him, the U.S. president had to _____ with him because Russia was also a member of the Allied forces.

(A) fond of . . defile
(B) wary of . . collaborate
(C) deferential to . . nurture
(D) accommodating to . . elude
(E) scared of . . chastise

370. Brenda hoped that her current success was not _____, since it had been a dream of hers since childhood to be a pop music icon.

(A) derivative
(B) placid
(C) ephemeral
(D) variegated
(E) contemporaneous

371. The dishonest mayor attempted to _____ her opponent in the campaign by running _____ ads in the local newspapers.

(A) discredit . . libelous
(B) venerate . . docile
(C) console . . contrite
(D) infuriate . . pellucid
(E) appease . . slanderous

372. The _____ of the CEO's impressive career can be credited to her ability to adapt to new circumstances and to seize new opportunities while climbing the corporate ladder.

(A) domesticity
(B) longevity
(C) resonance
(D) cacophony
(E) protuberance

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373. John D. Rockefeller was a _____ businessman who pored over every possible aspect of his company in order to cut costs and increase profits.

(A) quixotic
(B) vindictive
(C) diabolic
(D) meticulous
(E) devious

374. After learning of all the incredible obstacles she had overcome to make it to the audition, it was evident to the show's producers that Marie had a(n) _____ desire to become a successful actress.

(A) devious
(B) tenacious
(C) congenial
(D) promiscuous
(E) irascible

375. Romeo made the tragic and _____ decision to kill himself before he could find out the truth about Juliet from his friend the friar.

(A) lackadaisical
(B) opulent
(C) aboriginal
(D) malevolent
(E) impetuous

376. Although the two coworkers seemed to be always at odds, their relationship was actually quite _____.

(A) maudlin
(B) amicable
(C) rustic
(D) tortuous
(E) caustic

377. Mary and Sam did not agree on the extent to which harmful greenhouse gases have a(n) _____ effect on the environment, leading them to have a(n) _____ discussion.

(A) invulnerable . . outrageous
(B) audacious . . pecuniary
(C) deleterious . . querulous
(D) convivial . . superlative
(E) eminent . . malleable

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